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s, for four days without rations; they ate grass,  
be donkeys, and an old dog named Saragossa;  
a poor man out of that country is a

**NEW YORK GOLD MINES.**  
The New County Court House Record-Interesting (Document from the Citizens' Association - How the Money Goes, and Who Gets It, &c. &c.)

The Citizens' Association has addressed a letter to the President of the Board of Supervisors, Henry Smith, Esq., on the New County Court House, with which New York

ers, and especially tax-payers, are familiar. Its history is traced in this letter from the first legislation in 1857, appointing five Commissioners to superintend the erection of a new City Hall down to 1921, when

It then quotes an extract from Supervisor Stewart's address at the laying of the corner stone, in which he stated that the \$150,000 authorized, was altogether inadequate to the erection of an edifice such as the wants of the city demanded and which the city council had demanded. The committee of the Board who were having the work done by the day under the excuse that to have completed plans drawn, and the work given out by contract, would delay for several months the work that was so great to the city. The Association regret that the Board have not manifested the

same desire to complete as they did to commence the Court-House. Since the year 1861 to the present time \$3,550,000 have been authorized and \$1,750,000 collected by taxes and stock issued for the balance to complete this work. This, with the interest, makes the cost up to January 1st, 1868 about \$4,161,328. Its history is not traced through the marble arrangement by which a member

of the board was to supply the marble required for its erection; the appointment of commissioners; the controversy which ensued by which the work was suspended a year, and which resulted in favor of the Supervisors. The Commissioners had advertised for rough marble and received a dozen bids, two of them being for \$150,000 and \$125,000 respectively. But when the Supervisors got hold of the job again, they com-

cluded their arrangement with the Berkshires (Mass.) quarryman (one of themselves), who had received up to December, 1896, \$120,000 for marble which was offered at \$125,000 altogether. The Supervisor who had purchased the quarry invested only \$4,330 in it, but he sold it on the 5th instant for \$800,000—rather a snug profit it will be admitted independent of the income from the Court-House job.

The Association next take up the contract for the iron work of the building, and quote from Ex-Mayor Gauthier's notable letter expressing the awfully in April, 1861, in which he pointed out the necessity of the building.

the Cornell's, of Centre street, without advertising for bids, and at extravagant prices. The Report of the Special Court House Committee says the report before us, made Sept. 23, 1863, stated that they had received bids for the iron work "from the most responsible houses in that line of business in the city." And on November 17th, in accordance with the report of the Committee, a

contract was entered into with J. B. & W. Cornell & Co. for iron work, at prices mentioned in their bid hereinafter given. No bids were advertised for, as the importance of the subject and justice to the public would seem to demand, but the following proposals were received by the Committee:—

Ceiling Plates.....	333
Illuminating Tile.....	333
Windows and Door Lintels.....	333

Anchors for Store work.....	10
Area Grating of Wrought Iron.....	10
Iron Dome, Roof and Frame for supporting ceiling under roof .....	11
Rolled Beams for floors with Knee-Pieces, Bolts, Anchors, &c.....	12
Wrought Iron Gliders.....	12
Iron Doors, Folding Shutters, Fans and Trimmings.....	13

Iron Stairs and Wainscoting.....	20 1-18
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Iron Window Frames and Trimmings..	15 1-18
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Mayor Gunther's attention being directed to this subject, he addressed a letter to a number of firms engaged in the business asking whether they had received any application from the Board of Supervisors or from the Special Court House Committee to present estimates for furnishing the iron work, and at what prices they would have

Ceiling Plates.....	12 3/4	:	:	3
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Illuminating Tile.....	50	3	00
Window and Door Lintels..	3	4	00
anchors for Stone Work...	1	1	00
Area Grating of Wrought			

Iron Plate Roofing, 22 Gauge	8	8	8
Iron Dome Roof and Frames for Supporting Ceiling Under Roof	10	9	11
Robd Beams for Floors, with Knee Pieces, Bolts, Anchors, &c.	6	9	10
Wrought Girders	1	2	3

Iron Doors, Folding Shut- ters, Fans and Trim- mings .....	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Iron Stairs and Wainscot- ings .....	10	10	10
Iron Window Frames and Sashes .....	10	10	10

Architectural Iron & Steel Co., Inc. New York, N.Y.	1
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The Architectural Lion Works in their reply dated 1887, says that they were not invited to estimate for the work and also, "The first intimation we had of any such proceedings was the public report thereof, although we had expressed a desire to compete for the

work repeatedly, and had been consulted on some of the details of it, and had endeavored to give some information in certain portions and details, and fully expected to have an opportunity to complete for the same," and also, "There are but five firms in the city calculated to do this work, namely: Geo. R. Jackson & Co., James L. Jackson & Brother, J. B. & W. W. Cornell & Co., James

Fowler, Kirkland & Co., and the Architectural Iron Works. Three of these were not invited to bid on the work, nor had they any knowledge it was in the market. Such was our ease and the rest so inform us. Two of these who were asked to bid, and whose bids are quoted, have no foundry and never melt-

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